SPECIAL EVENTS AND TRIPS

Annual Scarecrow Decorating Day

We are happy to be holding this event as part of "The Four Corners Block Party" on Sunday, October 12. Join us between the hours of 12:00 –1:30 p.m. You will find us on the grass lawn next to the CT Energy Store, 31 Old Rte. 7. Please bring along old clothes (shirt and pants), string, scissors, a brown bag or sack for the head and whatever accessories you would like to decorate with. We'll supply the directions, hay, and stakes. And best of all, it's free! Don't forget to preregister with the Parks & Rec. Office by calling 775- 7310 if you plan to attend. To find out about other activities taking place on this day, visit www.facebook.com/fourcornersnews.

Singing and Signing Time with Ms. Janine at the Bandstand

Singer/Signer/Songwriter/Guitarist, Janine LaMendola "Ms. Janine" will be playing children's music with sign language fun at the Bandstand this fall. It doesn't matter if you come with your infant, toddler or preschooler, or if you're a teenager. You're guaranteed to learn several signs and have fun at the same time! In case of bad weather please join her inside the Town Hall in Room 133. All ages welcome, no preregistration is required, and it's free!

Day: Wednesday Time: 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Dates: 10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29 (4 wks)

Place: Town Hall Bandstand, 100 Pocono Road

Haunted House Workshop

What do you get when you mix chocolate frosting, puffed cereal, pretzel sticks, and candy? A haunted house that your child will be excited to make and proud to show off. Ages 3 – kindergarten participate with parent or caregiver; for grades 1-4 this is a drop off program. Please bring an empty, rinsed ½ gallon cardboard milk or juice container to use as the base.

Day: Saturday Date: 10/25

Time: Age 3 - K: 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Grades 1-4: 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Fee: \$10.00

Place: Town Hall Meeting Room

14th Annual Trick or Treat at Town Hall

Parents and children are invited to "trick or treat" at Town Hall this year on Friday, October 31 from 2:00 – 3:45 p.m. Office doors will be decorated, and we will be passing out lots of candy! Please be sure to dress in costume and to bring your own candy bag to hold all of your treasures. There is no charge for this event. However, we are asking that each child bring either a non-perishable, "kid-friendly" food item such as peanut butter, jelly, canned spaghetti or ravioli for the food pantry or a monetary donation for the Brookfield Emergency Fund. The Emergency Fund is a non-tax dollar supported fund, which aids Brookfield families in crisis. The collection box for any items will be at the food pantry in Town Hall, located on the first floor across from the Tax Collector's Office. Please pre-register by calling Parks & Recreation at 775-7310 by October 30.

Thanksgiving Turkey Workshop

Children will enjoy creating a decorative turkey centerpiece for their table. Ages 3 – kindergarten participate with parent or caregiver; for grades 1-4 this is a drop off program.

Day: Saturday Date: 11/22

Time: Age 3 - K: 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Grades 1-4: 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Fee: \$10.00

Place: Town Hall Meeting Room

Letters to Santa

Receive a genuine letter from Santa Claus himself! Drop your child's personal letter in the North Pole Mailbox in the Parks & Recreation Office, or mail it to Santa, Attn: Parks & Recreation Department at P.O. Box 5106. Your child's letter must include a self-addressed stamped envelope. Santa himself will mail a personalized letter back in time for Christmas. In order for a timely response, letters will be accepted December 1 - 17.

Ornament Workshop

Let us take the stress out of finding the perfect teacher gift! In this workshop children will create three different ornaments perfect for gift giving or to hang on your own tree. Ages 3 – kindergarten participate with parent or caregiver; for grades 1-4 this is a drop off program.

Day: Saturday Date: 12/13

Time: Age 3 - K: 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Grades 1 - 4: 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Fee: \$10.00

Place: Town Hall Meeting Room

Horseback Riding Lessons

Brushy Hill Farm is a full service equestrian facility that takes pride in its warm and welcoming environment. The lesson program caters to students of all ages from beginners to seasoned veterans. Ev offers her lifetime of experience and extensive knowledge of the sport. Lessons are hand tailored for each rider's needs to ensure that everyone may achieve their goals and full potential. Closely supervised instruction in a safe and nurturing atmosphere will provide students with solid foundations, the necessary skills to communicate properly with their horse and become good horsemen. During each lesson, students will learn and practice basic horse care, grooming, tacking up, and correct terminology. In case of inclement weather, lessons will be held in an indoor ring. Register with the Parks & Recreation Office, and Brushy Hill Farm will contact you directly to set up a mutually convenient lesson time. Lessons begin the week of October 13th (or at your convenience) and meet weekly. Brushy Hill Farm is located in Southbury. Long pants and shoes with heel are recommended. Hard hats will be provided.

Fee: ½ hour private lessons 4 Pack \$200, 8 Pack \$380 1 hour private lessons 4 Pack \$240, 8 Pack \$460

Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade

Join us on our eighteenth annual *pilgrimage*, enjoying all of the fun with none of the hassle! Leave from Town Hall at 6:30 a.m., travel by coach bus to witness this NYC tradition, and still be home by approximately 1:30 p.m. to watch football and eat dinner. Register before all the seats are *gobbled* up!

Day: Thursday Date: 11/27 Time: 6:30 a.m. Fee: \$36.00

Radio City Christmas Spectacular

This is our longest running trip for good reason! We were able to purchase discounted orchestra tickets and pass the savings on to you. We'll be leaving from Brookfield Town Hall at 8:15 a.m. for an 11:00 a.m. matinee performance. There will be plenty of time after the show for lunch, to see the tree or go ice skating at Rockefeller Center, take in the holiday windows at Saks or get a jump start on your holiday shopping. We'll be leaving NYC at 5:00 p.m. Fee includes ticket (Orchestra Rows MM-RR in 300 section) and coach bus transportation/driver gratuity. Please register early to avoid disappointment.

Day: Monday Date: 12/8

Time: 8:15 a.m. departure

Fee: \$107.00

New~ How the Grinch Stole Christmas!

Discover the magic of Dr. Seuss' classic holiday tale as it comes to life on stage in this beloved family musical. Featuring the hit songs "You're A Mean One, Mr. Grinch" and "Welcome Christmas," The Grinch discovers there's more to Christmas than he bargained for in this heart-warming holiday classic. We'll be leaving from Brookfield Town Hall at 10:30 a.m. for a 1:00 p.m. show at the Theater at MSG. We have Center Orchestra seats in section 202 rows P – S. After the show (show lasts 2:25 with one intermission) we'll board the bus and get dropped off at Rockefeller Center. You'll have time to see the tree, finish up your holiday shopping and have some dinner before we leave NYC at 6:30 p.m.

Day: Saturday Date: 12/20

Time: 10:30 a.m. departure

Fee: \$89.00